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(SBU) Poloff presented the reftel demarche to the Zambian Foreign Ministry on September 30. Regrettably, most Foreign Ministry officials with competence on the issue are either in New York with the Zambian UN delegation or in Havana accompanying President Banda on his State visit to Cuba. Ikayi Mushinge, Principal Economist for Development Cooperation, expressed appreciation for these points and agreed to convey them to the Zambian delegation at the UN General Assembly. If it has not yet done so, USUN may want to relay these points to Zambia's UN Perm Rep Lazarous Kapambwe or Assistant Director for International Organizations Winnie Chibesekunda.